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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

We represent a broad spectrum of Asian Pacific Islander community-based organizations throughout the State of California. We strongly support the WT 11-65 proceeding before the Commission, regarding the merger of T-Mobile and AT&T. The resulting combined network resources would improve our opportunities to connect with our community; preserve and promote API values, aspirations, and traditions; and provide opportunities regardless of geographical location.

Wireless broadband technology is one of the most effective and efficient ways to communicate, pursue education, and conduct commerce. Wireless technology is also indispensable, as we seek to enhance the understanding and appreciation among the API community of our shared culture and history. The AT&T – T-Mobile merger would result in expanded access to advanced wireless broadband, making it more accessible to even API communities across the country.

AT&T has committed to expanding mobile broadband networks to over 97 percent of the nation's population if the merger is allowed to go forward. We anticipate a multitude of benefits resulting from this expansion of service, reaching communities across the country where Asian Pacific Islanders live. Broadband has become essential in our present society – our community is eager to stay at the forefront of this technology and experience the many benefits it has to offer.

Expanded wireless broadband coverage means additional API communities will be able to experience the social, medical, and economic benefits of high-speed wireless broadband connectivity. Wireless technology means an expanded social circle, easier outreach to medical services, regular connectivity with family, improved access to educational opportunities and so much more.

We urge you to support this merger with no delay. It could expand access to high-speed wireless broadband across the country, expanding essential technology that carries with it the power to drive economies, create business opportunities, and benefit API communities like ours.

Thank you very much for your consideration.



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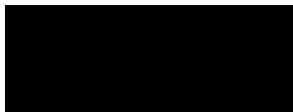
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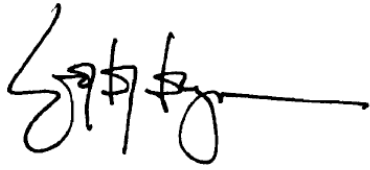
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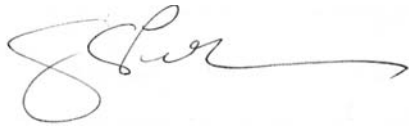
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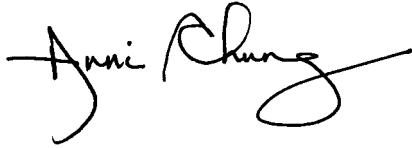
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